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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Konishi et al.

Serial No.: 09/997,084

Filed: 28 November 2001

Atty. File No.: 3688ME-30

For: INFRARED LAMP, METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME,
AND HEATING APPARATUS
USING THE INFRARED LAMP

) Group Art Unit: 2879

) Examiner: Kenneth A Berck

) RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
) REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Response is filed in reply to the Office Action mailed 3 July 2003 (Paper No. 4). This response is filed within the one month shortened statutory period. Applicants therefore believe this response is timely filed and no fees are due. In the event any fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Election/Restriction

The Examiner has imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Claims 1- 19 and 22-30 (Group I) and Claims 20-21 (Group II). Applicants elect the Examiner's Group I (Claims 1-19 and 22-30) for prosecution without traverse.

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Based upon the foregoing, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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